Miss Nessic Pierce Assessed Fifty Dollars in Norfolk and Takes Appeal.

SERMON PREVENTS SUICIDES

Ispecial to The Times-Dispatch.]

NORFOLK, VA., December 10.—Miss Nessie Pierce, cashier in Trotter's Drug Store, was fined \$50 and costs to-day by Police Justice Simmons, on the charge of jumping her board bill. The action was brought by Mrs. C. L. Cherry, of 561 East Main Street. Miss Pierce denies the charge, and entered an appeal to the Corporation Court.

Miss Pierce admitted that she owed the bill, but charges that her room was robbed of clothing and money, about which she could get no satisfaction. Mrs. Cherry claims that the girl was backward at all times in paying her bills, and that she removed the clothing herself, and finally, when pressed for the board bill, left the house, leaving behind a trunk full of brickbats.

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Rev. William G. Starr. pastor of Cumberland Street Methodist Church, to cay received communications from two young ladies and one young man that a sermon he preached on Sunday night saved them from a suicide's grave. They declared that they had made up their minds fully that there was nothing in life to live for, and would end it all. After hearing his sermon, they saw matters in a different light.

Dr. Starr preached on "How can we arrest this epidemic of self-destruction, which seems to be sweeping across the continent?" and the sermon was cast on an optimistic plane, in which he declared that if those bent on self-destruction would look about them, do the best they could, smile and trust in God, they would commit nor ash act. He dwelt at length on the many things in life to live for, and urged that these be embraced. His final appeal was to Christians to do their duty, not so much in handing out charity, but lending a helping hand to those who desired to help themselves.

He Cannot Tell.

Missionary Addresses Made.



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While he will answer the summons of the court, City Treasurer Herman decisions that it will be impossible for him to designate who did or did not pay their poll taxes in person. He is at a loss to understand how his office force could differentiate between the two classes.

From an investigation he is satisfied that no one on his force could put their finger on a name and declare positively that they did not pay their poll

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THE MASONIC HOME

Secured the goods and change and made a hasty retreat through a dark alley. The boy, after waiting half an hour on the steps of the house for the \$5 bill, realized that he had been victimized, and returned to the store with that information. Efforts of the police to capture the man lave up to the present time being ineffectual.

Preaches to the Police.

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of the receivers, it was learned that influential friends of the exposition and stockholders in the company are now in Washington consulting government officials who are much interested in the plan. So great is this interest and so far has the movement progressed that some official announcement is expected within a short time.

Not only Norfolk, but Richmond also would share directly in the benefits of the training school apart from its serthe training school apart from its ser-vice in improving the militia of the State. Wives and friends of officers always follow an encampment in large numbers. These people would visit Richmond and would advertise her beauty and natural advantages to the

For All States.

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The point is made that the grounds would be of great service to the militin of the various States for annual encampnient purposes. There the army, navy, Marine Corps and National Guard could work advantageously; a school could be established for the benefit of the Guard.

The government owns expensive buildings and docks, the accommodation and facilities being ideal, and sentimental, too, for a permanent monument would fittingly commemorate the first settlement at Jamestown

officers of the National Guards from a number of States have been active in Washington with the hope that the present Congress would adopt the suggestion of army and navy officers, who have officially investigated the advisability of the plan. For this reason it was urged that H. M. Kerr be named as one of the receivers because of his close relation with influential authorities at the national capital. National Guard officers have worked without compensation, believing that something could be accomplished if the matter was properly presented to Congress.

Of Great Value.

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Apart from the sentimental view and the fact that the government purchase would help pay large sums now due creditors of the exposition, the annual encampment of thousands of solders, sallors, volunteer troops and others, would be of enormous value to the service and of financial assistance to Virginia, which worked heroically for the success of the enterprise.

What the exposition needs most at the present, according to those watching its affairs, is a thorough bookkeeping system to determine the value of the property, guards to protect it, and altizens to urge upon Congress the importance of maintaining it for permanent purposes. The interest shown by Governor Swanson in the Virginia volunteer is manifested again in Washington by the National Guard of the different States, who see the value of Jamestown as a training station and camp ground.

Threatened to Kill.

George Johnson, colored, was arreston a warrant hearging him with assaulting and cutting M. C. Wood.





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